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What is going on within the Republican party, why the necessary nomination of Hughes coincided with these remarkable changes, and "Why the Country Needs Hughes" is explained by Frederick M. Davenport in this week's

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RECLUSE ON LINER VANISHES AT SEA

Elliott H. Seward Seen on Orduña Sunday — Girl Leaps from Ryndam

When no claimant appeared yesterday for the baggage of Elliott H. Seward, forty years old, of Utica, N. Y., a passenger on the Cunard liner Orduña, which arrived Monday, Captain Thomas Taylor of the Orduña started an investigation, and learned from the purser, C. T. Spelding, that Mr. Seward was last seen on the promenade deck early Sunday morning, when the liner was off Nantucket. It is assumed he cast himself into the sea.

Mr. Seward comes from an old Utica family and is believed to possess considerable means. He was a studious man, of good character, and was considered a recluse. He leaves no immediate family and his nearest relatives are distant cousins. No explanation is forthcoming in regard to Mr. Seward's disappearance. It is said that he was in poor health, but no one was at the time he went abroad for a health cure.

Passengers on the Ryndam, of the Holland-American Line, which arrived yesterday, learned that on October 4, while the Ryndam was off the Irish coast, Cecilia Leonard, nineteen years old, a passenger in the third cabin, jumped overboard. The Ryndam stopped and boats were lowered, but although they circled about for more than an hour, no trace of her was found.

The girl was coming to this country with her mother, two sisters and a brother. The mother is to marry here. It is believed her husband was Miss Leonard's dependent.

The Ryndam was stopped at Kirkwall, where all her mails, with the exception of the diplomatic pouches, were opened, and at Falmouth, where passengers were taken on. While the ship was at Kirkwall the British authorities took off Ernest Young, an American citizen, and two Belgian couples, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. G. and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. de Labeysse. Passport irregularities were alleged.

Seward Inherited Fortune of Father

[By Telegram to The Tribune.]
Utica, N. Y., Oct. 17.—Elliott H. Seward is the son of the late Alexander Seward, a prominent attorney of Utica, who died some years ago. The son, Elliott, about forty years old, inherited a fortune and has had no business. His home has been in Utica, but for two or three winters he has lived at the Hamilton Hotel, in Washington. His nearest relative is Mrs. Mary B. Underwood, of Oswego, an aunt. He also was related to Samuel A. Beardsley, of New York.

BELGIAN WORKMEN SHOT

Resisted Arrest After Refusal to Work on Munitions
London, Oct. 17.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company says:
"Three hundred workmen in a great factory who refused to work in German munitions factories in Belgium have been arrested and sent to Germany. Twelve who resisted were shot. The Germans everywhere are forcing the Belgians to work for them, particularly on the railways, their own personnel having given out."

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ESTIMATES MADE OF ALLOWANCES FOR OTHER PIANOS

ROFRANO BADE ME KILL, SAYS SLAYER

Murdered Foe at Ex-Official's Death Threat, Montimagno Swears

DEFENDANT, NERVOUS, TAKES NOTES BUSILY

Gunman Describes Events Leading Up to Shooting of Giamari

It was not avarice alone, not wholly the greed for blood money, that led Gaetano Montimagno to murder Michael Giamari, Michael A. Rofrano's political enemy. Testifying yesterday in the Supreme Court, the slayer swore Rofrano had threatened him with death unless he killed Giamari, as well as promised him rewards and safety if he did.

For ten hours Rofrano, former Deputy Street Cleaning Commissioner and a political power in the 24 Assembly District, sat scribbling in long-hand the story Montimagno poured out so unemotionally from the witness stand. His aimless anxiety to record what trained hands were adding flawlessly to the court record was the first sign of nervousness he has shown since the trial began.

The little, cool, square-jawed gunman, who was taken from the death house to testify, declared Rofrano urged him to kill "the Horse," as Giamari was called, from the time he first met Rofrano in his clubhouse in Madison Street before Mayor Mitchell's election, in 1913, until he saw him in North William Street, just above Brooklyn Bridge, a few moments before the murder, on March 8, 1915. On that occasion, Montimagno said, Rofrano threatened to have him killed if he didn't put Giamari out of the way that very morning.

Tried to Raise His Courage
For two months, Montimagno testified, Rofrano, through Rox Cornell, Frank Fenimore and Joe and John Brondini, his henchmen, had been trying to spur his courage to the shooting point, and they had even taken him to Chinatown to smoke opium in the hope that it might do some good. Twice, the witness told, Rofrano had been summoned to Joe Brondini's home in Borough Park, Brooklyn, to screw up the gunman's courage by giving him money and assuring him that he (Rofrano) was so powerful in Manhattan that the Mayor, Police Commissioner and the District Attorney did his bidding.

Montimagno swore Cornell assured him if these officials dared to cross Rofrano's path the Deputy Street Cleaning Commissioner would break them in a minute and set them shining shoes on the streets.
Every time Montimagno was heartened by such talk he promised to go right out and shoot "the Horse," and he testified that he actually made fifteen trips in the first week in March to Giamari's Madison Street home with John Brondini and Salvatore Curcio, known as "Chocolate," to "do the homicide," as he expressed it. But each time he lost his nerve.

Early on the fateful morning, Montimagno said, the conspirators appeared under the window of his home, 193 Hamilton Avenue, Brooklyn, and by a peculiar whistle signalled it was time to go over to New York for another try. The witness, although he had spent the previous night in the opium den in Doyers Street, got out of bed obediently and even brushed his teeth before joining the conspirators.

Stopped in Saloon
On the way to Court Street all stopped in a saloon at Henry and Luquer Streets. While Montimagno, the Brondinis, Fenimore and "Chocolate" were drinking, Cornell telephoned to Rofrano, the witness swore.
"The boss wants to see you in New York at once," Montimagno quoted Cornell as saying when the latter rushed out of the booth.
"We went right over to New York," continued the witness, "and about two hundred feet above the Bridge, in William Street, Rofrano stepped up to me. He said, 'You know when a man is taken into a confidence such as this and he refuses to do as he promises, he shall die. If you do not commit this murder this morning, you shall die to-day.'"

"I said: 'I have not the courage to kill a man for nothing,' the witness went on. "When I said that, he drew a razor from his pocket, and said: 'Shoot "the Horse" to-day or I'll slash your face.' He struck me two or three times on the lapel of my coat when Fenimore grabbed him by the arms and started him. He actually said: 'Tommy will go,' Frank said. 'He has got to go. If he doesn't, he will be shot.'"

Throughout the recital of Montimagno's amazing tale Rofrano appeared a trifle excited. He displayed no uneasiness, but his previous manner of calm assurance gave way to a nervous haste as he made prodigious attempts to take down all his accuser said.

Smiles Now and Then
Occasionally he would glance quickly toward Martin W. Littleton, his counsel, and smile whenever it was apparent Montimagno was a little in doubt about his facts. A few times he actually grinned in the direction of the jury.

Suitor Slain; Husband Gone; Margarita Cries—For Whom?

One Kiss Costs Rejected Sweetheart His Life—Police Seek Middle Aged Man Who Vanquished Him in Courtship for Girl

Problems in psychology, even when the psychology is that of a young and pretty woman and a modicum of romance is involved, do not greatly concern the police of Paterson, N. J. Having satisfied themselves how Vincenzo Galascio came to his death, and by whose hand, they regard the incident as closed. Henceforth they will concentrate their energies on rounding up Rocco Pallamaro, leaving it for others more interested in unimportant detail to determine why Margarita Pallamaro has cried steadily for twenty-four hours and still cries on.

Margarita did engage the attention of the detectives, but that was on Monday night, and for just a few minutes while she told her story. Since early that morning, when Vincenzo had been found on the sidewalk in Jersey Street with a twisted smile on his good looking face and a bullet in his brain, the police had been in search of a certain girl who had forced her way through the crowd that formed after the shooting.

Girl Sought Information.
The girl, described as noticeably pale and much excited, had been attracted by something more than morbid curiosity.
"Let me through; let me through," she had demanded, as the police got the story. "I must know! Was it my husband or — or the other?"
Some one, recognizing her, had volunteered the information. It was not her husband. A minute later she was gone. Well known though she was in the neighborhood, it took the detectives the whole day to learn who she was.

Meanwhile they had found out considerable concerning Galascio, the man who had been killed. A year ago, when he was twenty-one, great unhappiness had come to him. There had been a girl named Margarita. She had great beauty and many suitors, even before she turned fifteen and put her hair up. Vincenzo had snatched her all from the moment he entered the race. In six months the discouraged field had dropped out of the running. Only one rival to Vincenzo remained—a saloon-keeper, a man of reputed wealth. That Margarita would marry Vincenzo was not doubted, for the saloonkeeper was forty-five. But soon after her sixteenth birthday she gave the neighbors a surprise. At the last moment she chose the elderly admirer with the money.

Girl Tells Her Story.
Some said her parents engineered the match, and Margarita went to the altar an unwilling bride. Others replied that she had been seduced, explaining it was quite evident she had forgotten Vincenzo.
But there is still something to be said on the other side. For this is what Margarita Pallamaro told the detectives when they finally came to her:
"It was about 4 o'clock when my husband came to me. Vincenzo had been in the bar, drinking and talking loudly. One of the things he said was that he had kissed me since I married Rocco and had taken me to the moving pictures. Rocco wanted to know if it was true. I had to tell him it was. "Rocco grabbed up a lot of money—a big roll—as he ran out of the flat. I followed when I heard the shot. Now Vincenzo is dead, and I will never see him again. Rocco is gone, and I know he will not come back."

Margarita stopped to fight back a fresh flood of tears.
"My heart is broken," she said, giving up the fight. "I loved him very much. One mistake I made, and I shall never be happy again."

Margarita didn't mention any names.
And there the matter rests, so far as the police are concerned. Read Margarita's heart for yourself.

When he appeared to hold his accuser's testimony in mock derision.
It was learned yesterday that the answer of the defence to the material points in Montimagno's testimony will be several alibis testified to by members of Rofrano's family and his political associates.

Three women in black occupied seats in the courtroom all day yesterday. They were Rofrano's aged mother, his wife and his sister.
The trial will go on to-day with Montimagno under cross-examination by Mr. Littleton.

THOUSANDS, IGNORING PERIL, WATCH FIRE

Riverside Gas Reservoir Menaced by Manhattanville Blaze

Thousands of persons took gallery seats on the Riverside Drive viaduct yesterday afternoon to watch a fire that the brisk wind swept through frame stables and garages in Manhattanville below. At times the flames got close to the tank at 132d Street and Twelfth Avenue, which contains 5,000,000 cubic feet of gas.

Starting at 4 o'clock at 653 West 131st Street, formerly a stable, the fire spread to 651 West 131st Street, a stable used by John F. Shaughnessy, a contractor. To Harry Johnson's garage, at 647 West 131st Street, and to the stable of Fitzpatrick's barn and stables in West 132d Street. Three alarms were necessary to check it.
The smoke was carried through Harlem, and at times drifted across to subway tracks in such volume as to make trains slow up. Chief Kenion estimated the loss at \$7,000.

REAL ESTATE BOARD ELECTS

Lawrence McGuire Again Chosen President

Lawrence McGuire was re-elected president of the Real Estate Board of New York at the annual meeting, held yesterday at the Astor Building. William De Host, vice-president, was chosen to serve another term. Edward C. Mann was renominated to serve as secretary. McGuire was unanimously elected treasurer.

After new members to the board of governors were voted in the election took place. The retiring members of the board were Lawrence B. Elliman, Frederick D. Kelley and John P. Kirwin.
The following were elected to serve as members of the board for three years: Alfred V. Amy, Eugene J. Bushner and Thomas P. Graham.
Other elections at the members' meeting were as follows: Nominating committee—Albert D. Ashforth, Walter Stabler, Joel Seidling, Gerald R. Brown and Frank Amy. Auditing committee—Irving Ruland, Louis Schrag and Frank A. Shaw.

ROCKEFELLER AT HOME IN POCAHONTIC HILLS

Looking Well on Return from Summer in Cleveland

[By Telegram to The Tribune.]
Tarrytown, N. Y., Oct. 17.—John D. Rockefeller arrived from Cleveland this morning in a special car with a retinue of twenty-six servants. Five automobiles were at the station to meet Mr. Rockefeller and his party. His coming was a surprise, and only employees at the station were on hand to greet him.
Mr. Rockefeller drove at once to Pocahontic Hills. He had been away since June. He looked well.

JAPAN TO FAVOR OIL MEN TO VOTE TODAY ON RETURN

Russian Treaty Aimed at European Land Seekers, Not United States

[From the Tribune Bureau.]
Washington, Oct. 17.—The United States will be treated in China as the "favored outsider." It was declared today in circles qualified to give the views of the Japanese government. The Russo-Japanese "door-slaming" treaty is said to be aimed at the nations of Europe which have territorial ambitions in China and not at the United States, which is absolved of such suspicion.

On this understanding, it was declared, American capital to develop China's resources is more than welcome, though Japan and Russia will expect to be informed of the investments which the United States proposes to make.
The report from Peking that those two governments are opposing the construction of a new railroad and canal is scouted as absurd. Japan, at least, favors the opportunity this would give her to develop her own trade. Inquiries at Peking concerning the terms of this loan are said to have been misinterpreted as a protest against it.

Teruchi Cabinet Friendly
While Japan has assumed the role of China's advisor and protector and is jealous of foreign arrangements that have not received her sanction, there is said to be no disposition to exclude the United States. On the contrary, this country is welcomed as the only Occidental nation at once able to invest large sums in Chinese development and free from territorial ambitions.

The new Teruchi ministry is expected to make this point of view clear to the State Department. According to the Tribune's informant, Tokio is let comparatively trivial matters stand in the way of the realization of a firm friendship with the United States.
"America and American capital are welcome in China. We need them, for unless China is developed Japan cannot expand her trade. She has not the great resources of the United States and is unable to lend money for building railroads and for other improvements. China is Japan's natural market and is vital to Japan's growth."

2,400 POLICE SOLDIERS SHOW THEIR READINESS
Two "Rookie" Regiments Parade on Fifth Avenue
Clad in the regulation field service uniforms of the United States army, 2,400 policemen who underwent military training last summer at Fort Wadsworth paraded on Fifth Avenue yesterday afternoon to demonstrate their "preparedness" for military service. The men were formed into two regiments of three battalions each, swung out of the 7th Regiment Armory, Lexington Avenue and Sixty-seventh Street, and headed for the Public Library, at Forty-second Street and Fifth Avenue, where Mayor Mitchell and Police Commissioner Arthur Woods reviewed the "rookies."

In the reviewing stand were Mayor and Mrs. Mitchell, Commissioner and Mrs. Woods, Mayor-elect Charles F. Murphy, Daniel Appleton, Ambassador James W. Gerard, Theodore Roosevelt, Henry J. Case and the following army officers from Fort Wadsworth: Colonel George C. Bartlett, Major James Kilbourne, Major Thomas Martindale, Captain Eddy, Captain Gilmore, Captain Campbell, Lieutenant Easterly and Lieutenant Waddell.
Congratulation with the results of the military training, at a dinner given at the Waldorf by the policemen to the army officers who commanded the "rookies" were Colonel George C. Bartlett, Major Elisha M. Martindale and Major Charles E. Kilbourne. There were gifts for Captains Robert M. Campbell, Arthur N. Gilmore and Robert C. Eddy and Lieutenants George W. Easterday, James C. Waddell and Richard C. Paddock.

STRIKERS RAID CARS AS POLICE PARADE

Conductor Beaten—Rioters Use Stones in Attacks

While 2,400 policemen were busy yesterday afternoon displaying their soldiers' uniforms and military training in the Fifth Avenue parade, roving bands of striking car men attacked rear platforms of a southbound Avenue. Two conductors and three passengers were injured.
The first occurred at Lexington Avenue and Ninety-sixth Street, where a score of strikers leaped on the front and rear platforms of a car. The motorman succeeded in beating his assailants away with his controller, but the conductor was thrown to the floor, beaten, kicked and had his pockets rifled. The passengers were lowered to make their exit before the car windows were smashed.
At Madison Avenue and Seventy-second Street another trolley was held up and stoned.

A. R. E. Co. Gets More Time

Judge Learned Hand, in the Federal District Court, yesterday, extended the time until November 17 next for the American Real Estate Company to answer or move for the dismissal of the involuntary petition in bankruptcy filed against it by creditors.

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SEVEN LOSE LIVES IN ASTORIA FIRE

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across Long Island City and Brooklyn, and scores of families were sought to fight their way through the lines to see for themselves whether their men were safe.

It was about 5 o'clock when the firemen were washing down that the bodies were found. Corner Vogel and the police immediately got in touch with officials of the company, but as all the documents which were not burned up were locked in the red-hot safe, it was impossible even to find a roll of employees.

Kings served to identify Vogel and Mrs. Lindsay, the telephone operator, who was known at the plant as Miss Johnson. Her husband, Henry, who identified her, said he preferred to use her maiden name, as it was under that that she was on the rolls of the telephone company.
It was impossible to identify Miss Dauphmann, Miss Juhrens or Miss Benz, but as only six women were missing, and the bodies of six were found, there was no doubt of their having perished.

Fire Marshal Brophy ordered an investigation to determine the cause of the fire. Several witnesses were called to Fire Headquarters in Manhattan.

Ladder Is Blamed

After a preliminary investigation by the Fire Marshal, Commissioner Adamson issued a statement saying the electrician's ladder smashed a bottle standing on a barrel. The bottle is believed to have contained bisulphite of soda, which exploded, setting off a chain of events that led to the disaster.
Joseph Ross, the electrician, and employees in the storehouse tried to fight the fire from a standpipe, Commissioner Adamson said, but there was a delay in getting water and the smoke compelled them to flee. The Commissioner added that he thought the office records had tried to save papers and records before trying to escape.
"It is my opinion," he said, "that the persons in the office succumbed to the smoke before they attempted to make any use of the three exits. It is apparent that the fire had gained considerable headway at the time the office became aware of it, and that there was great delay in turning in an alarm, as employees of the company undertook to combat the blaze."

Osborne Speaks To-night

Thomas Mott Osborne will open his campaign for prison reform and against Governor Charles S. Whitman, as its opponent, with a mass meeting in Cooper Union to-night. It is the first of a series of gatherings which will run every night until after Thanksgiving. The speaker will report on the results of his work in the prison, and will also discuss the need for prison reform. He will be accompanied by several other speakers, including a representative of the American Prison Association.

Milk Supply Almost Normal

Lucius P. Brown, Director of the Bureau of Food and Drugs in the Health Department, said yesterday reports showed 89.4 per cent of the normal amount of "A" and "B" milk was admitted into the city yesterday.

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